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| Fat hogs on foot | 44-44 |
| Flour per cwt. (retails at) | \$2.30 |

Additional Local.

South Haven's new electric lighting plant is now in operation.

Dr. Bills is the peculiarly appropriate name of a Cass county physician.

The woods at Lake Park caught fire the other day. A number of trees were burned.

J. H. Waters & Co. talk to our readers to-day about the new vapor stove they are handling.

Attorney E. A. Crane and Judge A. M. Stearns of Kalamazoo were in town Wednesday on business.

Those who are to take part in the cantata, will meet at the opera house at 3 o'clock next Tuesday afternoon for the first rehearsal.

Walter, the 5-year old child of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Kemp of South Haven, was burned to death last Sunday afternoon while playing with matches.

Buyers are pleased and benefited by the reduction and always the lowest prices that they notice when trading at the Cummings dry goods store, consequently their trade is good.

The Paw Paw Valley Spiritual association will hold a grove meeting at Lakeside Park, Eagle Lake, on Sunday next. Mrs. A. E. Sheets of Grand Ledge will be the speaker.

A Lawton man named Conklin found his horse dead in the pasture Tuesday morning with a bullet hole in its breast. It is supposed to be the work of some enemy, the wound being too well aimed to be accidental. The horse was quite valuable.

On the 4th of July, four tramps giving their names as Peter Johnson, Gaylord Shirley, Otto Ellsworth and Bert Hulseman (probably fictitious names) broke into the residence of George Chamberlain at Hartford and stole two suits of clothes, some sixteen dollars in money, a part of which was Sunday school money, and other property. They were apprehended at Benton Harbor just as they were about to take the boat for Chicago, brought back to Hartford, taken before Justice Edmunds on a charge of larceny from a dwelling house in the day time, where they had an examination and were held for trial in the sum of \$500 each, in default of which they were committed to jail to await trial at the September term of court. Wednesday afternoon, they made an attempt to escape from jail that was very nearly successful. They tore out the masonry on one side of the water closet vault and then tunneled into the jail yard, which is surrounded by a high fence, with a fire shovel. Three of the men thus escaped from the jail building into the jail yard; the fourth, a large man, did not succeed in passing through the tunnel. Two of the men in the yard hoisted the third, a light man, to the top of the fence, and he dropped to the ground on the outside. Sheriff Lamberson's son Ralph saw him and gave chase, overtaking him and returning him to the jail. The plucky women of the family stood guard around the yard while Ralph notified his father, who was at a barber shop. They hastened to the jail and the two thieves had not yet succeeded in scaling the high fence when they arrived. When the sheriff attempted to enter the yard, he found the men had hooked the doors on the inside. Ralph then went up an outside stairway, got on top of the fence and dropped into the yard. The large man then thought he saw a chance of escape, rushed to the door from which he had heard the lock removed, unhooked it and ran squarely against Sheriff Lamberson's manly form. He stopped. Ralph colored the other fellow and they were safely jailed and locked in cells. The discovery of the attempt to escape and the capture of the prisoners was most fortunate. The mode of egress from the jail proper was almost identical with that of Nye, the clever railroad ticket office thief who escaped last winter and has not been recaptured. The tunnel through which they escaped is being as effectually stopped as possible, but the next clever crook who gets into the old shell will have no difficulty in finding some other weak spot. The structure is a disgrace to the county, and should long ago have been replaced by a more modern and substantial building. We would suggest that to insure greater safety the sheriff have the jail repaired and a barred wire fence stretched around the building; such measures would be fully as wise and efficacious as some of those adopted in the past.

Electricity and Water Power.

The Paw Paw river already furnishes several excellent water powers, but it has never been improved to anything like the full extent that is possible. Paw Paw could, by the expenditure of a few thousand dollars below the old Mason mill property, have one of the finest water powers in the state. For years past, water powers have been of comparatively little value in industrial development, but in view of the progress being made in electrical transmission, water powers may come to be of the utmost importance. The following from an article in the *Kalamazoo News* will be of interest in this connection:

"The recent improvements in methods of generating electric currents and transmitting them long distances has created a new and increased demand for water powers, and consequently added immensely to their value. Any city possessing them within reasonable dis-

tance is indeed fortunate, and cannot afford to overlook or neglect to appropriate and utilize them.

"Heretofore their availability has been confined within very restricted limitations, which have caused them to become less and less desirable, until they have largely given away to steam power. Practically the mill or factory using them heretofore had to be located in close proximity to the waterfall, but under the new order of things that limitation has been entirely done away.

"Thanks to the new and successful combination and use of the water wheel and electric generator at the waterfall, the power can now be transmitted over a cheap line to a motor which will economically utilize it in any desirable location within a radius of several miles distance.

"The success of the cataract company at Niagara Falls has given a new impetus and life to the water power method of driving machinery, and already the entire country is awake to new schemes of various kinds to secure and control all the waterfalls which can be improved and made valuable in this simple and sure way. The experimental stage of the new method is passed, and capital no longer hesitates to embark in water power developments along this line, and already light and power are being supplied to many cities in this improved and economical manner.

"Michigan possesses many rapid and permanent streams of water which are but partially utilized by old methods, and a new source of wealth is opened to companies or individuals that appropriate and develop these now unused but natural sources of power.

"The Kalamazoo river from Battle Creek to Lake Michigan would undoubtedly develop sufficient power, in addition to that already utilized, to light every town and drive nearly all the machinery located in the valley or territory contiguous to it.

"The cost of lines for transmitting and distributing the power would be so small, the dam and generating machinery could be located at any point along the river where the fall was greatest and the improvements could be made and maintained at a minimum cost, and provided the claims of Tesla, the genius in electrical discoveries, proved true, the distance would not be so great as to be seriously taken into account.

"The *News* observes there is much similarity in planning going on all over the country, and it throws out these hints as to what might be within the possibilities of success at our very doors, and would further suggest that a delay too long indulged in may find a grand opportunity lost beyond recovery."

Marriage Licenses.

2047—David Fey, 75; Maria Page, 54, both of Columbia.

2048—John N. St. Clair, 25, Gobbleville; Mary Moon, 24, South Haven.

2049—Foster Burton, 27; Martha Matthews, 24, both of South Haven.

New Suits.

Fel school dist. No. 1, Paw Paw and Antwerp vs. Chas. E. Yerrington; appeal from justice court. Titus & McNeil.

People vs. John Shoemaker; assault with intent to commit rape. L. H. Titus.

People vs. Frank Wheeler and John McDonough; assault with intent to do great bodily harm. L. H. Titus.

A BIRD THAT DANCES.

Strange Habits of an African Relative of the Stork.

It is something like a heron or stork, has a melancholy gait, lives on fish and frogs, and is considered in Africa a bird of evil omen. It is found in Cape Colony, some other parts of Africa and in Madagascar. Under its quiet appearance, says Chambers' Journal, it nourishes esthetic tastes. When it casts off its sober demeanor it indulges in a fantastic dance. In a state of nature, two or three join in the dance, skipping around each other, opening and closing their wings. They breed on trees or on rocky ledges, forming a huge structure of sticks.

These nests are so solid that they will bear the weight of a heavy man on the domed roof without collapsing. The entrance is a small hole, placed in the least accessible side. In a lonely rocky glen Mr. Layard once counted half a dozen of their nests, some almost inaccessible placed on ledges of rock. One nest contained at least a large car load of sticks. They occupy the same nest year after year, repairing it as required. The female is credited with the joiner work and the male is the decorator. On the platform outside the inner portion he spreads out all kinds of objects of vertu, brass and bone buttons, bits of crockery and bleached bones.

If a knife, pin or tinder box were lost within some miles, the looser made a point of examining the hammerkop's nests. Indeed, were it not that hyenas, leopards and jackals ranged in their vicinity, it is highly probable man's curiosity or resentment would have often extirpated these interesting artists, or at least destroyed habits founded on leisure and immunity from persecution.

Wouldn't Trust Rosebery.

Lord Rosebery, whiling away some hours at Aberdeen on his way to Balmoral recently, occupied himself in looking at the shop windows in Union street. A set of quaint thistle cups in silver attracted his attention and finally he walked into the shop and purchased them. Not having a large sum of money with him, he suggested giving a check. This offer was but coldly received and he was somewhat rudely informed by the shopman that he could not take the articles with him nor could they be sent until the check was duly cashed. Even when Lord Rosebery gave his name it was received with evident doubt.

EARTHQUAKE INCIDENTS.

Courageous Conduct and Marvellous Escapes of Turks.

A Constantinople correspondent of the New York Tribune says that it will probably never be known how many persons were killed in that city by the earthquake of last summer. The Turkish government has a chronic hatred of facts, and the newspapers were forbidden to publish statistics of the earthquake. What are believed to be moderate estimates place the number of deaths at about one hundred and fifty, and the number of the wounded at about six hundred.

The correspondent cannot help praising the courage of the firemen stationed on watch at the top of a tower more than two hundred feet high. They stuck to their post, although the tower swayed like a flagstaff, and when the fires broke out after the overthrow of dwellings, they gave the signals as usual.

Another case of a similar sort was that of a minaret builder who had gone up to the top of a minaret to remove a conical cap which the first shocks had thrown askew. While he was there another shock occurred, and there was another panic in the streets.

His assistants, who were in one of the galleries of the minaret, began to run downstairs, and the mosque servants below shouted to him to come down, but he stayed where he was.

"If this is going to fall," he said, "it will fall before I can get out of it," and he proceeded with his work.

Many wonderful escapes occurred. Two men were walking together. A Turk met them, and, as is not unusual when a Turk meets foreigners, he pushed in between them, instead of turning to one side. At that instant a stone fell from the building above them, and hit the Turk, who fell dead between the two horrified foreigners.

But the most marvellous escape was that of a boy three years old. He was running along the street at the base of the city wall just as one of the ancient towers was overthrown. When the dust cleared away he was discovered pinned to the ground by great stones lying on his skirts on each side of him, but himself quite unharmed.

MIXED MARRIAGES.

Cases in Which Matrimony Brought About Complications.

The two following cases would be difficult to surpass. One was in England, the other in Australia. Some time ago a marriage took place in Birmingham, which brought about a very complicated state of family relations. The woman had been married three times before, and each time had taken for her husband a widower with children.

Her fourth husband was a widower, and, as he had children by his first wife, who was herself a widow with children when he married her, the newly married couple started their matrimonial companionship with a family composed of the progeny of eight previous marriages.

Another curious case was that of Dr. King, of Adelaide, a widower, who married a Miss Norris. Shortly after the doctor's honeymoon the doctor's son married a sister of the doctor's wife. Then a brother of the doctor's wife married the doctor's daughter. In other words, the doctor's son became his stepmother's brother-in-law, and the doctor's daughter became her stepmother's sister-in-law. The doctor, by the marriage of his son to the sister of the doctor's wife, became father-in-law to his sister-in-law, and the doctor's wife, by the marriage of her sister to her stepson, became stepmother-in-law to her own sister. By the marriage of the brother of the doctor's wife to the doctor's daughter, the doctor became father-in-law to his brother-in-law, and the doctor's wife became stepmother-in-law to her own brother. It is an unsolved problem as to what relationship the children of the contracting parties are to each other.

NOT MADE BY HUMAN HANDS.

Pretty Fable Regarding a Drinking Cup of Marvellous Workmanship.

A drinking horn of marvellous workmanship is one of the relics kept in the church at Oldenburg, Germany, says the New York Commercial Advertiser. It is known throughout Europe as "the horn of Oldenburg," and has a most wonderful history. According to the story, the great Otto of Oldenburg was out hunting, and, becoming exhausted from thirst and fatigue, sank upon the earth with the exclamation: "Oh, God, would I had a cool drink!" The sound of his voice had scarcely died away among the trees of the forest when suddenly a beautiful maiden appeared before him bearing a richly-carved drinking horn, filled to overflowing with cool, sparkling water. Otto was more captivated with the beauty of the horn than he was with that of his fair benefactress, and without even staying to say "Thanks," turned and ran at the top of his speed, carrying the vessel with him. To save himself from the consequences of such a peculiar theft, Otto bestowed the horn upon the church, and to this day the story, as given above, is told by the guides, who display the relic to the gaze of curious visitors.

Critical Logic Failed.

The late Sherlock Holmes had a favorite dictum: "Eliminate the impossible, and what is left, however improbable, must be the truth." This was not at all in accordance with the saying of Victor Hugo: "Nothing is so imminent as the impossible. What must be always foreseen is the unforeseen." Most of us will agree, from experience, with Hugo rather than with Holmes. The impossible does not happen. When "Merely Philbrick's Choice" was published in the "No Name" series, the critics were agreed that it seemed to be written by Helen Hunt Jackson. But, as those who knew her love for flowers and acquaintance with nature also pointed out, she could not be the author, for there were several glaring mistakes in the naming and placing of blossoms in the story. Yet, as was afterward disclosed, she did write it; so all the theorizing went for nothing.



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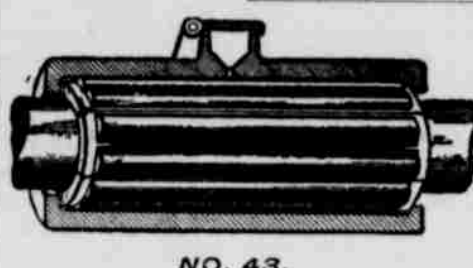
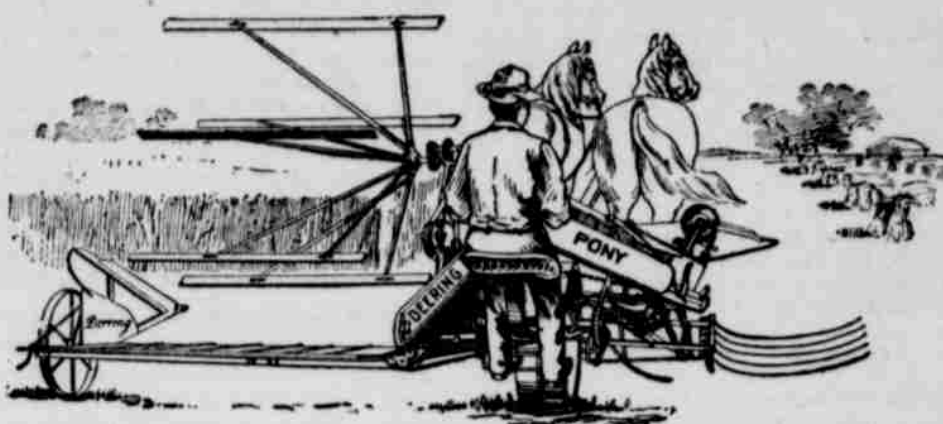
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